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"Long may it wave o'er the
land of the Free and the Home
of the Brave."

ALMA WOMEN
IN WAR WORK

Mrs. Ezra Smith, Red Cross
Mrs. J. E. Collins, Com. of National
Defense

Urgent Call For Used Clothing
For Belgium Sufferers!

Clothing for men, women and
children, to the amount of 2100 tons!
This is the position which you and
I and all of us of this Central Division
are asked to give. Women of Alma
—be prompt to do your part and bring
to the Red Cross room, NOW, all you
can possibly collect of clean (wash if
necessary), strong and durable cloth-
ing; shirts, skirts, underclothes, soft
hats, hoods, stockings, any and every
wearable or usable garment for
these stricken and literally nude suf-
ferers. Mrs. D. L. Johnson, the com-
mittee in charge this week. March
25 is the latest date for shipment.

Last week an urgent appeal was
made through this column, for re-
ports on yarn which was given out
some months ago. Now comes the
demand from the Chairman of the
Knitting department that either the
yarn or the garment must be in next
week. Please give attention to this
request and obviate the necessity of a
personal call by phone or otherwise.

A big shipment last Saturday con-
tained 31 pajama suits, 31 helmets,
60 pairs socks, 37 bundles gauze com-
presses, 25 T bandages, 16 Triangular
bandages, 9 pairs wristlets, 2 sweat-
ers, 6 hospital bed shirts and 4 well
filled comfort bags.

Why are women registered? The
purpose of the mobilization of the wo-
man power of the country is

1.—To interpret to the government
the strength and possibilities of the
woman power of the country.

2.—To give accurate information to
the government of the capacities in
which women are now serving in their
homes and in commercial and indus-
trial pursuits, trades or professions.

3.—To ascertain which women are
available for service outside the home
and which are not.

4.—To list the untrained and in-
experienced women who wish to take
training.

5.—To be able to furnish women
for paid positions in Government ser-
vice or elsewhere.

6.—To be able to place women who
would volunteer their services in
home or allied relief or in other po-
sitions of usefulness.

7.—To give every woman an oppor-
tunity to offer her country such ser-
vice as she is best fitted for.

8.—To have a registry of the ca-
pacities and training of the women in
each community of the country as a
basis of the work of the Woman's
Committee of the Council of National
Defense.

Over 6,000,000 women through the
heads of 29 organizations have peti-
tioned for the passing of the "dry"
bill now pending.

Recalls from the different depart-
ments in Washington to whom peti-
tions for the closing of the breweries
were sent have been received by the
C. N. D. The opinion of all is that
the subject is a many sided one and
is receiving the consideration of the
present administration.

There will be a meeting of the
registration committee held every
Wednesday at the First State Bank
until further notice.

Because of the pleasant weather
and the probable desire of everyone
to be out in the open during the next
few months, the community singing
has been discontinued temporarily.
These meetings have been very popu-
lar and will no doubt be resumed with
enthusiasm later.

The demonstration of food substi-
tutes to be held in the grocery stores
has been postponed until next week.

Elsie Ferguson in "Rose of the
World"—Idlehour, Thursday.—Adv.

WHY GAS SHOULD BE RAISED

The voters in Breckenridge, Ithaca,
St. Louis and Alma will be asked on
Monday, April 1, to show whether or
not the Gratiot County Gas company
is to be allowed to raise the gas rates
of the company, to take care of the
increased costs of production.

At a recent meeting of councilmen
and the executive heads from the
four Gratiot towns, the statements
of the gas company were gone over,
and at this time the men at the meet-
ing, representing these towns, de-
cided that the company was in need
of assistance in order to avoid going
into the hands of a receiver. As a
result the committee from each town
recommended to the home councils
that it submit a proposition to the
voters, in regard to slightly raising
the price of gas, on a sliding scale,
to take care of the increased cost of
coal, so necessary to the manufac-
ture of gas.

Here in Alma, the matter was gone
into thoroughly by the council, and
it was freely acknowledged that the
gas company was in need of assis-
tance if it were to avoid a receiver-
ship.

A number around the four towns
have been saying, well, why should
we worry about a receivership?

A receivership for the gas com-
pany will, without question, mean
that the gas users of the four towns
must pay even a higher rate for gas,
than the small raise now being asked
by the company. It should be un-
derstood that through the courts a re-
ceiver can raise these gas rates, and
will raise them, and that they will
be based upon the cost of production,
plus a cost of running by the re-
ceiver. This means that in case the
small gas boost is voted down, that
the four towns will be forced to pay
a rate for gas use, that is still higher
than the one proposed by the com-
pany, and the committees from the
four towns.

The proposed rate which is to be
voted upon, was decided by repre-
sentatives from the council of the
four places, to be a just one, which
would allow the company to continue
to operate.

It would also be understood by the
voters that the proposed change al-
lows only \$1.40 per thousand as the
highest price for gas. As coal goes
down the gas rates slide down in
proportion. It is based upon the
cost of coal at the mines.

TOWNSHIP TICKETS

Townships Have Strong Tickets in
Field for Spring Election.

The parties in the various town-
ships of the county are putting some
strong tickets in the field this year,
and it is expected that some hot fights
will develop at these elections. The
tickets for the townships of Seville,
Sumner, Arcada and Pine River fol-
low:

SEVILLE TWP.

Republican
Supervisor—Wm. Hutchinson
Clerk—George Wilson
Treasurer—A. E. Miller
Highway Commissioner—A. B.
Fisher
Overseer—Ora Durssey
Member Board of Review—Peter
Britton
J. P.—George Tofft
Constables—Al. Schnepf, Leroy
Hendershott, John Peterman and
John Davenport
Peoples Party
Supervisor—C. E. Going
Clerk—C. O. Dunn
Treasurer—Chas. Egan
Highway Commissioner—Wm.
Shong
Overseer—Elias Rockwell
Member Board of Review—Wm.
Carroll
J. P.—W. C. Pugsley
Constables—L. P. Taylor, Wm.
Allan, Oller Scofield and Dewey
Parks

SUMNER TWP.

Republican
Supervisor—S. A. Evey
Treasurer—Felix Fea
Clerk—Samuel Cleverdon
Highway Com.—Thomas Croton
Ed. Review—A. W. Ray
J. P.—A. L. Tomlin
Constables—Art. Murphy and
Walter Douglass

PINE RIVER TWP.

Republican
Supervisor—Wm. Michaels
Clerk—Edgar Sias
Treasurer—Don E. Hayes
Com. of Highways—Bert Hamil-
ton
Overseer of Highways—Wm. Land-
shaw
J. P.—John Wilk
Bd. of Review (2 yrs)—Roe Huff-
man
Bd. of Review (1 yr)—Bert Kemp
Constable 1st—Arthur Fookes
Constables—Chas. Gallagher, Ern-
est Wells and James Frear
Peoples Party
Supervisor—Wm. Vanderbeek
Clerk—Robert O. Hunt
Treasurer—Elmer Post
Overseer of Highways—Wm. C.
Sullivan
Justice of the Peace—John Pitt
Member Board of Review (2 yrs)—
Bert Packer
Member Board of Review (1 yr)—
Fred Kyes

ARCADA TWP.

Republican
Supervisor—Alvin G. Wiley
Clerk—Roy Keefer
Treasurer—Vincent Roberts
Commissioner of Highways—Ed.
Struble
Justice of the Peace—C. H. Smith
Union
Supervisor—E. S. Hubbell
Clerk—John A. Burt
Treasurer—B. F. Cline

Commissioner of Highways—Hector
Smith
Justice of the Peace—Emil Monk
Member Board of Review—S. Hus-
ted.

ANOTHER DRIVE

Red Cross Will Start Drive Sunday
for Greater Membership.

There is probably no greater evi-
dence of our patriotism than is shown
in the work of the Red Cross. In Alma
there are 1714 adult and 550 junior
members, and it is hoped that before
long that every person who is not
now a member will enroll.

The women of the community are
thoroughly organized for work and
every fortnight a large box of sup-
plies is shipped to headquarters in
Detroit, but now comes the question
of money. Up to this time supplies
have depended on a small percentage
of membership fees, donations, and
money earned by various kinds of
benefits, but a growing number of
workers and the greatly increased
need for supplies in the service make
it necessary to have a larger fund and
one that will come regularly. Mem-
bership dues are only paid annually,
donations are uncertain, and to en-
sure money by benefits means an added
amount of effort with small returns,
so that the Red Cross here has
reached a point where systematized
giving is the only kind which will be
effective.

The Alma Red Cross needs \$500.00
a month from now until the end of
the war and the following plan has
been devised to raise it: Next Sun-
day, March 24th, a committee under
the leadership of Professor James E.
Mitchell will call on the citizens of
Alma asking them to subscribe to
this fund an amount to be paid each
month through the period of the war.
You may subscribe any sum you wish
from twenty-five cents to twenty-five
dollars. This is one means of paying
for the privilege of staying at home.
It is your patriotic duty to give all
that you can to one of the noblest
services that the war presents.

This plan for financing war work
has been adopted in hundreds of places
and is proving a great success. It is
sure to meet with a hearty response
in Alma.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNER-
SHIP

The co-partnership heretofore exist-
ing of Benjamin N. McCullough and
E. Raymond Besore under the name of
Alma City Laundry is this day dis-
solved by mutual consent.

Benjamin N. McCullough continues
the business under the same name and
pays all debts of the copartnership
and takes all accounts and obligations
owing to the firm.

Dated Alma, Michigan, March 1st,
1918.

Benjamin N. McCullough
34-35-c. E. Raymond Besore

NOTICE

On and after April 1st, 1918, all
coal will be sold for cash only.

We are compelled to announce this,
on account of the constantly increas-
ing cost of operation, and, that all
our bills must be settled promptly.

LITTLE ROCK COAL CO.
(35-11-c)

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life to the records. Plays
all makes of record.
Come in to-day and
hear this big value
instrument.

FRANK F. SMITH
With A. R. Smith Shoe Store

Fatty Arbuckle in return engage-
ment of "Out West"—Idlehour, Wed-
nesday.—Adv.

The Idlehour

"The Home of Good Pictures"
Matinee Every Day 2:30
Evening 7:00-8:30

FRIDAY

Jack Pickford

—in—
"The Spirit of '17"

(Be sure and see this "Red-
White-and-Blue" story of the
old home town.)
also "The Hidden Hand" No. 7

SATURDAY

Wm. Desmond

—in—
"Fighting Back"

also 2 reel comedy, "Pearls
and Perils"

SUNDAY

Wm. S. Hart

—in—
"Wolves of the Rail"

(The Best Yet)
also Triangle comedy

MONDAY

Wm. S. Hart

—in—
"Wolves of the Rail"

also comedy

TUESDAY

J. Barney Sherry

—in—
"The Argument"

also something entirely new in
comedies, Toto, the world fam-
ous contortionist in "The Movie
Dummy."

WEDNESDAY

Taylor Holmes

—in—
"The Small Town Guy"

(In which the ridiculed country
youth comes into his own) also
return engagement of Fatty Ar-
buckle in "Out West."

THURSDAY

Elsie Ferguson

—in—
"Rose of the Wild"

also Victor Moore comedy

COMING

Mabel in "Dodging a Million."

Douglas Fairbanks in "The
Good Bad Man."

Enid Bennett in "Keys of the
Righteous."



Hubbard's Little Plumber

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ter's winds blow chill—
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LOOK-PATERSON DRUG STORE

FOR EASTER!

There's a good deal more than style to
look for in Easter clothes this year, for this year's
Easter parade is going to be a patriotic procession. This means
that quality and value are going to be important, because conserva-
tion is both patriotic and important. In

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